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FIELD NOTES

Some of the boys at Camp Seneca picked up a day or two old fawn, Thursday morning. It was hidden in a hollow log, near a road side. Of course, no sign of the mother deer. The chances are there is another fawn; there nearly always is. It so happened that the fawn was hidden away on another hill side. A doe knows better than to put both her babies in the same nest.

Woodsmen are beginning to notice fawn tracks in the forest. Clarence White of Rimel, noticed this week where a big doe had brought her two little fawns down to a drinking place. A. H. Wade of Minnehaha Springs saw fawn tracks in a wet place the other day.

After the first week of June, at the ripening of the wild strawberry, we expect fawns to be dropped here in Pocahontas. From then on to July tenth, I have known rare instances of fawns being dropped in August.

The period of the Virginia white tailed deer is seven lunar months or 190 days. Count the days from December 1st to June 15 and see if that is not exactly 190.

The late Henry Gilmea, of Lewisburg, had positive proof of a bunch of does not mating one year until after the Christmas holidays.

I know of one instance where a small fawn's track was seen in snow during April. The deer in that particular part of the woods were imported from the state of Michigan the winter before the little fawn's track was seen.

I have special reason in recounting all this. Sometime soon the State Conservation Commission will meet. I have reason to believe a concerted movement is on foot to attempt to influence the Commission to go back to the December open season for deer hunting. I want to impress upon the commission the fact fawns are dropped in early June means mating takes place in early December. After that is no fawn time for deer to be disturbed.

Here is one to try on the garden bugs, put a few gallons of water in a wash tub, pour in a pint or a quart of kerosene, set in the garden at night under a lighted lantern. This is hard

on bean beetles and cucumber bugs. It is even a better plan than refraining from planting beans and cucumbers to stay even with the bugs.

Long have known that the ground squirrel—chip mink—was an eater of young birds and of old ones too, if he could catch them. Just the same as the red squirrel fairly did in the other day C. J. Howard and Tolbert Sharp of Cloverlick, caught a ground squirrel in the act of eating a half grown ground sparrow, stolen from a nearby nest.

Monday a blessed rain came from the east, and all day long it fell to refresh a parched soil. No telling how much that rain was worth. The river flushed up quite a bit from it.

I am told by a bird man that in forty years he had never seen a turkey buzzard in the county of Kanawha. There is no catch in this, though it does open the door to cheap observation about political hog combine sweeping the board so clean as to starve other vultures.

Dr. Johnson, the State bird man, tells me he is now occasionally observing the black or Mexican vulture in West Virginia. He saw quite a number in Greenbrier county. They may be seen with turkey buzzards. They are smaller, fly with quicker wing beats, and have square tails.

DEATHS

David Thomas, aged 37 years, died at his home in Montgomery, June 13, 1934, after a short illness of pneumonia. Burial at Montgomery Friday afternoon. He is survived by his wife, who is Miss Ottilie Pearl Lang, of Marlinton and their little daughter Carolyn Lang Thomas. On Thursday afternoon, George Rlineheart, a nephew of the deceased David Thomas, was killed by a fall from a cliff near Montgomery.

Mr and Mrs Charles Clift Syms of 615 Second Avenue, South Charleston announce the birth of a son Charles William, at their home on June 4th. Mr. Syms is the son of the late Mrs. S. S. Syms Wade, of Seebert; Mrs. Syms is the daughter of Mr and Mrs L. K. Ashley of Charleston.

James Slaven, aged 10 years, lost his fourth toe in the sprocket wheel of a bicycle, Tuesday.

STATE FOUR-H CAMP

Pocahontas County 4-H Girls' Win Honors at Jackson's Mill Older Girls' Camp.

Miss Virginia Callison of Beard, was awarded the Governor's Silver Medal as the second outstanding girl at the camp. She was also chief of the Seneca tribe, and led her tribe to victory in tribal points over the other three tribes of the camp.

Misses Beatrice Howard and Ida Rexrode were initiated into the "All-Star" organization. This is the highest honor in the state that can be conferred upon a club member and we are proud of the fact that Pocahontas county had two out of the twelve initiates.

Miss Eloise Moore of Dunmore was presented with a picture of her tribe, and because of her helpfulness in making it a worthwhile camp, was given a special invitation to attend next year's Older Girls' Camp.

Two of our local leaders, Miss Florence Howard of Buckeye, and Miss Reta Rexrode of Minnehaha Springs, were instructors at the camp.

Of the two hundred thirty-four girls registered at the camp, Pocahontas County had thirteen, ranking second to Harrison County in the number of members attending. Those in attendance from the county were Misses Virginia Callison, Beatrice Howard, Ida Rexrode, Eloise Moore, Margaret Hannah, Bessie Hill, Nina May, Nancy Edgar, Frances McCormick, Grace Barnes, Helen Jean Buckley, Mary Virginia Cunningham, and Jane VanReenan.

On July 2nd, a number of younger girls will attend the 4-H Younger Girls' Camp. If they follow the example set by the older girls, they are going to have an enjoyable time for the week.

Miss Madeline Fuhrman and Mrs. Lake Miller are delegates from the Cass Presbyterian Church, in attendance at Huntington, for a week in "The Leadership Training School," for Women's Auxiliary leaders and workers from the Synod of West Virginia.

J. E. Buckley has broken ground for a two-story brick store building on Main street. F. P. and W. B. King have the contract.

S. L. BROWN

Squire L. Brown, aged 83 years, for fifty years Clerk of the County Court for Pocahontas county, died at Marlinton, on Sunday, June 17, 1934. Over a year ago he suffered an attack of heart disease. Some months since there was recurrence of the trouble and he left his office never to return. Burial in the Huntersville cemetery on Tuesday afternoon beside the grave of his wife. The funeral service was conducted from the Marlinton Presbyterian Church by Rev. S. B. Lapsley. The pall bearers were members of the board of deacons: J. A. McLaughlin, E. F. McLaughlin, E. H. Wade, W. L. Davis, J. M. Bear and Zed Smith, Jr. The honorary pall bearers were fellow county officers and members of the session of the Marlinton church: H. H. Hudson, M. C. Smith, Kerth Nottingham, E. W. Buzzard, Neal Nottingham, Howard McElwee, A. P. Edgar, T. S. McNeil, E. B. Slaven and Calvin W. Price.

Mr. Brown was born at Greenbrier, August 22, 1851. He was the son of the late William L. Brown; his mother's name was Bosworth. During the war the family fled to Cumberland county, where they spent some years. Mr. Brown is survived by his step-mother, one half-brother, Elden Brown, two half-sisters, Mrs. T. H. Patten and Mrs. W. A. Gladwell and a step-brother, W. W. Arbogast.

Mr. Brown married Miss Josephine Slaven, daughter of the late Randolph Slaven, of Huntersville. She preceded him thirty-four years, lacking three days.

Away back in the early eighties Mr. Brown came to the county seat at Huntersville as deputy for the late John J. Beard, clerk of the courts for Pocahontas county. In 1884, he offered for the office of Clerk of the County Court and was elected. In every election since then, with but one exception, an appreciative people returned him to the office.

Forty-two years ago Mr. Brown came to Marlinton when the county seat was moved here.

In religion Mr. Brown belonged to the church of his fathers, the Presbyterian. For years and years he had been an officer of his church, and for many years a ruling elder. No man ever lived in our county who was more universally beloved than Mr. Brown. It was his delight to serve his fellow man. The long and useful life of this truly good man illustrated the value of thinking on whatsoever is lovely and of good report.

Lola Stuart Williams

Mrs. Lola Stuart Williams, aged 31 years, and infant died Tuesday morning, June 19, 1934. Burial at Mt. View cemetery on Wednesday afternoon, the funeral being conducted from the Methodist church by Rev. Mr. Gardner and Rev. S. B. Lapsley.

The deceased was the wife of Neal Williams and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stuart, of Marlinton. Among her sisters and brothers are Miss Susie Stuart and Harry and Ted Stuart. For a number of years she was a popular teacher in the schools of Pocahontas and Greenbrier counties.

Invitations have been issued by Mr and Mrs Tucker Carrington Watkins of Halifax, Virginia, to the marriage of their daughter, Mary Garrett, to Henry W. McLaughlin, Jr., son of Dr and Mrs Henry W. McLaughlin of Richmond, Virginia. The marriage is to take place at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, June 26, at Beth Car Baptist Church, Halifax.

At a meeting of the Board of Education on last Saturday, the contract for building a new school house at Clayson was let to F. P. and W. B. King, subject to approval by State board of education.

LOYALTY TO WEST VIRGINIA

My dear Mr. Price: I am indeed flattered but a bit surprised that you should place a personal letter of mine to you, at the head of your column and then proceed to write a full column or more on the charge that the Marlinton people are half baked West Virginians. I am now afraid to come over there without a body guard.

It might help me out of the hole in which you have placed me by printing that letter, for me to state that I am a native of the Old Dominion, born and reared where mules and flies prosper most, -- Dinwiddie County near old Petersburg. But for twenty-eight years I have lived, moved and had my subsistence wholly in West Virginia. I presume I have been in every county, and know personally or know of a great many people. And so I feel, while not a native, I have some preparation to speak of the virtues and follies of our people. July 1, 1935 will mark the close of one quarter of a century of my presidency at Davis and Elkins College.

After reading your article in last week's paper, the issue seems to be one of debate, whether oratory or the printed page is more effective. A great Roman, Marcus Tullius Cicero settled that debate 2,000 years ago in his dissertation on oratory. You might reread this with profit.

I shall now turn to the question on loyalty in West Virginia. There is a great deal of talk and a great deal of writing on this subject. Loyalty sometimes requires the highest sacrifice, as in the case of the soldier, or the mother. It does not consist of proclamation, whether verbal or in writing. It so happens that our state is mountainous; the bulk of it is hilly. It might be compared to an umbrella.

On account of inaccessibility when first settled, we find the oldest cities and villages in the most accessible locations, and first of all on the borders. The great inland remained an unknown land until the last forty years, perhaps. It was quite natural that since there was no development in the inland territory, that the people on the borders should look to the parental state, whether Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio or Kentucky, for trade and social life. And so we find Marlinton, Martinsburg, Keyser, Morgantown, Wheeling, Parkersburg, Huntington and Bluefield all depending right largely on the neighboring state, in fact some of these cities depend more largely on the neighboring state than on West Virginia.

The state did not come into the union under normal conditions. It was born of war, and out of the law. But it would seem that seventy-one years would be long enough to forget a legal irregularity or parental or filial mistake, but not so. The facts are, judging from conversation, a great many representative people in these border cities would gladly rejoin the mother state. Such feeling prevails in Wheeling because of the proximity to Pennsylvania. It prevails in Martinsburg and other cities of the eastern panhandle, and you are as well acquainted as I with the sentiment in Greenbrier and adjoining counties.

Now, if this feeling prevails to any extent, then these good people are not loyal to West Virginia. While wedded to West Virginia at heart they are courting outside of the family circle, -- always a grave mistake. Perhaps in my own field as an educator, I see the results of this love for the fatherland or motherland. More than 2200 students in West Virginia attended colleges in other states, very largely in neighboring states three years ago the latest record I have. You will find scarcely a handful from these states coming in to West Virginia. The colleges of



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C. J. RICHARDSON
Marlinton, W. Va.

the neighboring states are older, and most of them perhaps give the student more prestige. How can we develop our colleges into the same class unless we patronize them? There are abundant opportunities for a good education in West Virginia from Davis and Elkins up through the University including many other colleges in between. We do not have a Harvard or a Yale, or a Washington and Lee in prestige or tradition, but again, time and loyalty has made those institutions, -- loyalty and time will make ours.

For graduate work we should attend our West Virginia University. The legislators should appropriate more money in order to enable it to work too long neglected. The college work there is all right, but more money is needed to equip the Graduate School. This money will not come unless the President can report to the legislature that a large number of A. B. and B. S. students are seeking post graduate work at our state university.

Again, large fortunes have been made in West Virginia, and in many cases by men and women who have lived in the state, some of them born in the state. Much of these fortunes has been donated to colleges and other philanthropic enterprises in other states. To me this is almost criminal disloyalty.

Furthermore, our public utilities, I am advised, are largely owned by out-of-state investors, notwithstanding the fact that we have hundreds of men and women who could raise millions to invest in the utilities of West Virginia. If they did this, there would not be so much antagonism toward well managed utilities. It is never a good policy to live for one's self, to take care of our own household regardless of the other fellow, but the fact remains that unless we take care of our own household, we shall not be able to assist the fellow next door to take care of his. Our first interest begins at home and then extends.

And so, I wish the press of this state would adopt a slogan, "West Virginia for West Virginians," as selfish as it may seem until our state can develop to the point where its institutions and its business enterprises are permanently established. Let us once for all abandon the thought of reuniting with Virginia. That thought will not go very far beyond the brain of a few editors. It matters not how our state was born, or who made the mistakes in the past generation, it is our responsibility to preserve West Virginia in this generation and to pass it on to the next. The good people in the cities on the border, and they constitute very largely the urban population of West Virginia, should face about, cease looking toward the Blue Ridge and toward the Quaker state or across the Ohio, or toward the Blue Grass of Kentucky, and look toward the hills of West Virginia from whence cometh their help, both now and in the days to come. Interior West Virginia must be populated and further developed that there may stream from the top of the umbrella, a rain of prosperity to prosper the folks

who had to settle on the border. Very sincerely yours, Jas. E. Allen, President

Davis and Elkins College.

Potato Field Day
A potato field day is being arranged for the farmers of Pocahontas County next Wednesday, June 27th. Dr. C. R. Orton and Dee Crane from the University at Morgantown will be in charge. The schedule of the meetings is as follows:

B. N. Nottingham's Farm, Boyer 9:00 A. M.

A. D. McCoy's Farm, Hillsboro, 2:30 P. M.

Court House, Marlinton 8:00

At each of the farms a power sprayer will be in action. Both men bought one hundred bushels of certified potatoes this spring and are interested in growing potatoes for seed. Mr. Crane will discuss potato spraying and Dr. Orton will discuss potato diseases and will supervise the taking out of any diseased plants. Every potato grower in Pocahontas County should attend one of these meetings.

At the night meeting at the court house we expect to discuss potato marketing and if possible effect an organization to help market our large crop of potatoes. We have proved we can produce good potatoes and now we must market them in the most efficient manner possible.

Frost—Mrs. W. T. Townsend has returned from Virginia.

Our school has closed. On the last day Miss Dever entertained the smaller pupils on the school lawn, and Mr. Sharp took the older ones to Paddy's Knob. They taught a good school and the patrons are well pleased that they will return.

CHURCH NOTES

MARLINTON METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. W. G. Winton, Pastor
Sunday, June 24, 1934

11:00 A. M. Laymans' Day Program

7:15 P. M. Young Peoples' Devotional Services

8:00 P. M. College Day Program, in charge of our college students.

Cass Presbyterian Church
Rev. J. T. Pharr, Pastor

"The Church of Cordial Welcome."
Sunday, June 24, 1934

11:00 A. M. Morning worship
Sermon: "Is Suicide Ever Right?"

10:00 A. M. Sunday School
7:00 P. M. Service for young people

8:00 P. M. Union preaching service in the M. E. Church

Prayer service Thursday night at 8:00 P. M.

Alexander Presbyterian Church
Rev. J. T. Pharr, Pastor

Sunday June 24, 1934.

2:00 P. M. Sunday School

3:00 P. M. Preaching by the pastor, Subject: "Jesus Endures The Cross." Good song service.

Come and bring your friends.

MacQueen's

Be sure to get one of our big four page folders describing our "FESTIVAL OF FASHION" SALE.

This sale begins Friday, June 22nd, and continues throughout the following week. You will find some wonderful values.

This large sale folder covers mostly ladies' ready-to-wear and accessories, therefore, we are listing below a few of the many specials we will run this week end all next week.

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Palmolive Soap, 6 cakes	25c
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